



# The BRUSHSTROKE

## Terrebonne Fine Arts Guild



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985-851-2198 Hours Tue-Fri 10am-4pm

**Newsletter, January, 2020**

### General Membership Meeting

Our next meeting is on Jan. 28, 2020 at 10 am. The luncheon committee is – Hostess: Dawn. Committee Members: Karen K, Karen B, Emily, Jeanie, Michelle, Susan.

After the meeting, we will have a “Paint-In” led by Karen Bordok. We will paint bookmarks to put for sale at the gallery. Bring watercolor or acrylic paper, paints, ribbons, gold markers and other supplies you might use. Should be fun.

### Committee Meetings Scheduled:

If you are on any of these committees or want to help, please attend.

Spring Art Show: Jan. 15, 10am. Michelle Eroche

### Upcoming Events:

#### Christmas Show and Sale

The Christmas show is up and sales began like fireworks the very first day. Take down is Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>.

If you put anything up for sale you must to help take down the Christmas decorations, tables, pegboards, etc... and clean up the gallery afterwards.

#### January Free Art Classes

Registration is in process for our free art classes. Students grades 2 through 12 are eligible. Registration must be in person. No registrations will be taken over the telephone. Dates are Saturdays Jan 11, 18 & 25, 2020.

### Fundraiser Workshops

Information will be provided as the dates near.  
Jan 13, 2020 **Canceled** - Watercolor  
March 16, 2020 - Carolyn France - Acrylic  
June 1, 2020 – Michelle Eroche - Oil Pastels

### Offsite Exhibits

The next member changeout at the TPCG Government Tower is Jan. 14, 10am. Vilma James is displaying at Griffin’s Grill through February.



### Happy Birthday

to Active Members for January:  
Sam (2), Carolyn (3), Jerelyn (14), Mickey (19), Amanda (19)

### Intra-Gallery Member Competition

The next competition theme is “Flowers” due on Jan. 28, 2020 by 10am before the meeting. This is followed by “Birds” in April then “Abstract” in July.

### Artist of the Month

Kathy Rhodes is Artist of the Month for Jan, 2020. Kathy’s resume’ follows:

I was born and raised in Houma, LA. I graduated from Vandebilt Catholic High School in 1975 and from Nicholls State University in 1979 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration



and minors in both Accounting and Computer Science. I spent over 30 years working in Information Technology.

My love of art began with photography while I was in high school. My mother, Rita Rhodes, was a member of the Terrebonne Fine Arts Guild and accomplished artist in both watercolor and oils. She served as president from 1992-



93. I was involved with the art guild as a friend for a number of years while she was active. Though I took a few workshops from time to time, and still do, I am mostly self-taught.

It really wasn't until my mother passed away in 2011 and my job of many years was outsourced that I found time to search for my creative and artistic muses. I joined TFAG as an active member hoping to learn more about art. I have entered many competitions since and won numerous ribbons.

I take many photos, mostly of nature and birds. Just as in painted art, I love to photograph the vibrant colors of birds – red, blue, yellow, green, etc..., especially during the migratory bird season.

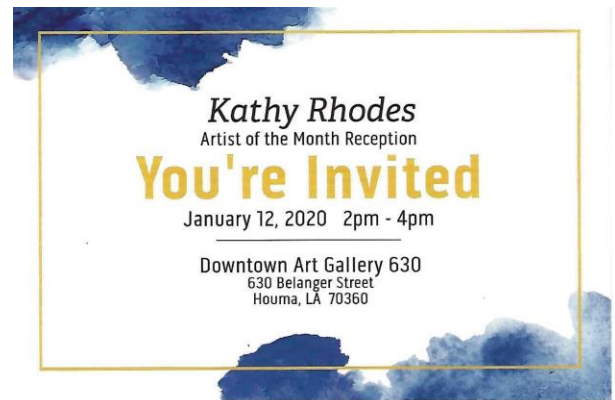


My favorite media are collage and acrylic. I love creating nature collages, multi-media pieces which include items from nature. I owe my love of collage to lifetime gallery member Cecile Evans, who inspires me and that I highly admire. I mostly enjoy using my own photographs to create my works of art. I've more recently starting working with pastel and enjoy it a lot.



I currently serve as 1<sup>st</sup> VP of the Terrebonne Fine Arts Guild for the current year. I previously served as 1st VP for 2018-19, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP for 2017-18 and Parliamentarian from 2015-16. I have been voted Outstanding Member for 2 years (2017-18 & 2015-16).

Kathy will be hosting an Artist of the Month Reception on Sunday, Jan. 12, 2020 from 2pm to 4pm at the gallery. She invites all members, active and friends, to come. You are welcome to bring your family and friends. There will be refreshments as well as beverages including adult.



Other organizations I belong to are "Les Artistes du Bayou", an art guild located in Larose, LA and the Terrebonne Bird Club, where I currently serve as vice-president. Birding is my other passion. It is rewarding to see my love of art, photography and birding come alive on a canvas. I also belong to the Crescent City Bird Club. I am treasurer, historian and webmaster for the WWII USCG LST 793 Ship Reunion Group. [www.lst793.com](http://www.lst793.com).

I like to consider myself a jack of all trades and a master of none, well maybe a few. So onward with my learning and hopefully one day I can say I am also an accomplished artist.

